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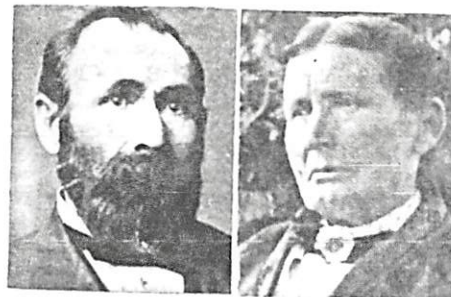
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She was a friend to all, and mothers especially looked to her for comfort, health and courage. She would leave her work and go to anyone in time of sickness or trouble. She never tired in her efforts to restore health and to bring words of comfort and cheer when needed. In most cases she received little remuneration, if any at all.

During the time she lived in Midway she brought more than six hundred children into the world.

Throughout her life she was a faithful member of the Church and had a profound influence on the lives of those she taught. She served as president of the Primary Association in Midway for 20 years, often finding it necessary to develop her own lessons and programs. She worked in the Relief Society in addition to her nursing and midwife responsibilities, caring for those who needed her help.

She was blessed with an active life right up until death claimed her on August 20, 1922. The last birth certificate she registered was that of Joyce Coleman, April 12, 1922, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Coleman, just a few months before she died.

Aunt Delie loved to remember the children on Christmas, and often would take her horse and buggy and travel over snowy, muddy, uncertain roads to Salt Lake to make certain all were remembered at Christmas time. She returned with a wagon load of presents and goodies to make the holiday season something to be remembered. Her grandchildren still celebrate a special Christmas party in her honor.

Rising above the difficulties of a young life, Aunt Delie became one of the most loved and respected citizens of Wasatch County. Her life was illuminated by her abiding faith in God, and by her deep, sincere love for her fellowmen which she evidenced by her service to all.

Indicative of the esteem held for her by the community is a monument erected in her honor in Midway by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers.

At the time of her death she was honored by all, but particularly by the Primary children as they covered her grave in the Midway Cemetery with a blanket of beautiful flowers in recognition of what she had done for hundreds of youngsters through a life of service.

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### JOHN Z. WINTSCH AND ELIZABETH WINTSCH

John Z. and Elizabeth Wintsch were early settlers of the Mound City area. Mr. Wintsch homesteaded bench lands west of Midway overlooking the valley. When the Midway Fort was built they had a cabin in the northwest corner of the Fort String.

After leaving the Fort they took up their farm land again. One time Mr. Wintsch walked through Snake Creek Canyon, over the mountain into Salt Lake City to file upon his land. His ability to hike and climb was acclaimed, for he arrived in the City much sooner than his neighbor who had started at the same time with a good team and wagon on the regular road route.

Mr. and Mrs. Wintsch had 13 children. They all died in infancy. They adopted a little boy by the name of August, and a new born baby, Eliza Lehman. Eliza grew to womanhood and married August Kohler. August died in youth.

### DAVID WOOD

David Wood, a son of Benjamin Wood and Agnes Benedict Wood, was born July 6, 1799, in Schoralia, New York. He married Catherine Crites, daughter of George Crites and Jane Ann Cane Crites. She was born December 4, 1796, in Osneburg, Cornwall County, Canada. They came to Utah in 1851.

David Wood was an active member of the Mormon Church. He assisted in building the Nauvoo Temple. He was a carpenter and cabinet maker. He spent considerable time as a successful missionary among the Indians.

He and his good wife were sturdy, courageous people who did much to pioneer and develop Provo valley.

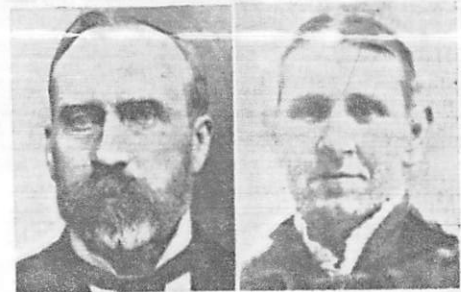
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Attewell Wootton, son of John Wootton and Ann Turner, born December 26, 1839, in Tunstall, Staffordshire, England. Married Cynthia Jane Jewett January 9, 1862. Died November 1, 1912.

Cynthia Jane Jewett Wootton, daughter of Samuel Jewett and Sophia Lance. Born November 26, 1844, in Morgan County, Ohio. Died January 7, 1933, Salt Lake City.

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His father, in the struggle for a livelihood, in a new country engaged in tile and brick making. Becoming overheated in his work he took cold, developed pneumonia and died in 1845, leaving his widow and two small sons. Two years later she met and married Edward Robinson a widower with a large family. In 1849 they came to Utah with the Ezra Benson Company and settled in American Fork.

Attewall proved very studious and when but a small boy he read the Book of Mormon through and received a book from his mother as a reward. He attended school for a few months each year and soon excelled the other pupils. After three terms, his teacher, Eugene Henroid, suggested he become a teacher. His first teaching was at night school for those who were unable to attend during the day. It was here also that romance entered his life, for one of his students was Cynthia J. Jewett, who became his wife. Thus began his life as a teacher.